

THE SECRET CITY

Juan lived in a small village on the side of a mountain. Many grand mountains surrounded his [home/ sink/ boat]. Juan usually spent his day climbing [so/ bat/ the] mountains with his pet donkey, Shara. Shara [ran/ wet/ pork] off quite often. Juan tied a [large/ river/ plant] string of bells around her neck [if/ so/ bat] that he could find her by listening [bird/ for/ clip] the jingles.

One morning, Juan heard [pie/ why/ the] noise of many horses in the distance. [For/ As/ Tap] he looked, several men rode into [but/ the/ sit] square with large packs of tools [fit/ slap/ and] maps on the backs of their [claim/ horses/ fresh]. "We are looking for a large [take/ city/ sort] that we believe may be located [bike/ near/ note your village," a tall man said, looking [down/ gate/ wall] at Juan. "There is no such [city/ game/ foot]," Juan replied.

The men said they [wish/ slap/ were] scientists who had searched for the [pizza/ hidden/ climb] city for years and could not [find/ seat/ wild] it. The leader said that it [try/ must/ limp] be hidden in a near valley [face/ and/ can] that they would rest before going on. [The/ Cat/ Tray] city was to have been filled [with/ story/ walk] treasures, and the leader offered money [set/ a/ to] those who could help them find [it/ fat/ by]. Juan was thrilled with the thought [sit/ by/ of] finding a secret city and ran [true/ place/ home] to Father to ask

his permission.

[So/ On/ Cat] the way home, Shara ran off [so/ of/ can] fast that Juan could not catch [her/ dog/ home]. Juan searched for her with no [price/ luck/ some]. While looking, he used his ears [for/ as/ by] well, but he didn't hear her familiar [jingle/ mouse/ stone].

He climbed the huge mountain to [look/ place/ lamb] for his favorite pet. He walked [with/ come/ for] hours and combed the many ridges [trip/ with/ fort] his eyes, but still no Shara.

[Hit/ Top/ Then] Juan saw a small animal moving [rose/ girl/ along] the mountain, but it was so [good/ far/ run] away that he could not tell whether [by/ it/ to] was Shara. Juan moved over [pat/ but/ the] terrain carefully as he climbed, not [true/ great/ daring] to look down. With hunger gripping [sort/ his/ red] stomach and sleepy eyes, Juan thought [sit/ try/ he] should end his search. Then he [come/ heard/ thing] a faint jingle. He moved toward [tall/ tune/ the] sound and found Shara wedged between [two/ from/ cars] large boulders. As Juan pulled her [sly/ run/ out], it began to rain, so they [bit/ hid/ torn] under a space in the rock [eye/ and/ fat] waited. When the sun appeared, Juan [saw/ pipe/ tree] a strange glow. It was from [the/ bow/ hit] valley below. The golden roofs of [can/ the/ but] secret city were before him.

Juan [raced/ glad/ tried] home to tell Father. He had [stone/ keep/ bright] thoughts of the money he would [sleep/ earn/ green] from the men at home.